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PART I

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT ORDERS

CHIEF SECRETARIAT

Sanctions the Raising of an additional Battalion of the M.A.R.P.

READ—

Government Order No. H.A. 5319-31—Pol. 126-48-10, dated 11th October 1949, sanctioning the proposals for reorganisation and reduction in the strength of the Police Force in Mysore State.

2. Letter No. C2. 1031—50-51, dated 2nd February 1951, from the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore, submitting proposals for the raising of an additional battalion of Mysore Armed Reserve Police at an approximate cost of Rs. 5 lakhs per annum.

3. Government Order No. H. B. 1699-708—Mily. 143-49-38, dated the 30th May 1951, sanctioning the scheme of the reorganisation of the Non-I.S.F. Units, Mysore.

4. Letter No. C.I.D. 815—50-51, dated 30th July 1951, from the Inspector-General of Police in connection with the raising of an additional battalion of Mysore Armed Reserve Police.

5. Government Order No. H.B. 5709-12—Mily. 47-51-14, dated 26th September 1951, ordering the continuance of the Palace Band for a period of two years at a cost of Rs. 60,000 per annum.

6. Government Order No. H.B. 9326-29—Mily. 18-51-13, dated 20th February 1952, sanctioning an additional post of Superintendent of Police for the Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards, and placing the Mounted and Dismounted units of the Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards independently, each under the charge of a Superintendent of Police.

ORDER No. H.A. 10965-80—POL. 433-51-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 3RD MARCH 1952.

At present, the Armed Reserve Police Force in Mysore consists of three battalions. One of them is stationed at the Headquarters, Bangalore, under the control of a District Superintendent of Police who is assisted by an Assistant

Superintendent of Police. Another is located at the Civil Station, Bangalore, under the control of an Assistant Superintendent of Police. The third, which is the District Battalion, has been divided into several units, and distributed at various centres in the districts. One company of the District Battalion has been stationed at Mysore.

Ordinarily, a battalion consists of six companies; each company consists of one Police Inspector, 2 Subedars-Major, 2 Subedars, 5 Havildars, 8 Naiks and 121 Police Constables.

The Inspector-General of Police has pointed out that the existing strength of the Armed Police Force in Mysore State is inadequate, and that it requires to be strengthened for meeting any emergency, and for efficiently discharging the duties in connection with internal security, etc. He has therefore submitted proposals for the raising of an additional battalion of Mysore Armed Reserve Police at a cost of Rs. 5,31,206 per annum.

It would no doubt be necessary and useful to increase the strength of the Mysore Armed Reserve Police for internal security and general protection purposes during emergencies, as well as for guarding the borders of surplus districts to prevent smuggling of foodgrains. But the proposal of the Inspector-General of Police involves large expenditure, and the present financial position of the State will not permit it being sanctioned.

As it will not be possible to raise an additional battalion of Mysore Armed Reserve Police in the manner proposed by the Inspector-General of Police, an alternative method of forming a new unit has been examined and approved. This new unit will consist of only four companies (one existing and three to be newly recruited).

The main object would be not only to keep the recurring expenditure as low as possible, but also to maintain the permanent establishment of the Mysore Armed Reserve Police, in due course, at the original level of three battalions.

Sanction is accorded to the raising of three new companies for a period of six months only. These three new companies, together with the Dismounted unit of Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards now existing in Mysore, will constitute the additional battalion of Mysore Armed Reserve Police.

Organisation and Command.—The Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards now stationed in Mysore consists of two companies, one Mounted and another Dismounted (Foot). Hitherto, both these companies were to function under the control of one Superintendent of Police, assisted by an Assistant Superintendent of Police. But, according to Government Order No. H. B. 9326-29—Mily. 18-51-13, dated the 20th February 1952, these units will be placed separately, each under the charge of a Superintendent of Police. There being, at present, only one post of Superintendent of Police for the Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards, sanction has been accorded in the same Government Order for the creation of another Superintendent of Police, abolishing the post of Assistant Superintendent of Police previously sanctioned.

Sri K. R. Krishna has been promoted as Superintendent of Police, to be in charge of the Mounted Unit. In addition to this unit, he will be in charge of the Palace Band also, which has been ordered to be continued for two years, at reduced expenditure.

Sri C. J. Ramdev, Superintendent of Police, is placed in charge of the Dismounted Unit. As this unit will form part of the new battalion to be formed by the addition of three more companies to be recruited, Sri Ramdev will be in charge of the new battalion.

The Mounted Unit and the new battalion will remain separate from each other. The Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Mysore, will exercise general supervision over both these units.

The Mysore Armed Reserve Police company which is in Mysore, will be moved to Bangalore, and it will form part of the District Battalion. This company will perform the guard duties at the Bangalore Palace and such other duties as may be assigned by the Inspector-General of Police.

The net result of the scheme will be as follows:—

There will be an additional battalion of Mysore Armed Reserve Police in Mysore consisting of the following four companies:—

(i) One company of the Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards (Dismounted Unit).

(ii) Three companies of Mysore Armed Reserve Police to be freshly recruited in Mysore.

The additional battalion so raised will function under the control of the Superintendent of Police (Dismounted Unit), Mysore Armed Reserve Police—Palace Guards.

The Mysore Armed Reserve Police company now stationed in Mysore will be shifted to Bangalore for doing guard duties at the Bangalore Palace, etc.

Selection of officers and men.—After the integration of the Mysore State Forces with the Indian Army from 1st April 1950, a large number of officers and men, who belonged to the former Mysore State Troops, Palace Units, *viz.*, His Highness the Maharaja's Own Infantry and His Highness the Maharaja's Body Guard, and the Jillo Forces, have been demobilized. The question of their rehabilitation and resettlement has been engaging the serious consideration of Government. The raising of three new companies would make available the posts of 3 Police Inspectors, 6 Subedars-Major, 6 Subedars, 15 Havildars, 24 Naiks and 363 men. This would be an opportunity to provide employment to as many of the demobilised personnel as possible. Government therefore direct that all these vacancies be reserved exclusively for the demobilised officers and men of the units mentioned above.

The selection of three Police Inspectors and six Subedars-Major may be done by the committee which was first constituted in Government Order dated 30th May 1951 for the selection of the Superintendent of Police, etc. Selection to the other vacancies of Subedars, Havildars, Naiks and men may be made by the Inspector-General of Police.

Expenditure.—This additional battalion is sanctioned temporarily, for a period of *six months* only. The extra expenditure would be only in respect of the three new companies to be employed additionally. The expenditure on three companies would approximately be Rs. 2,20,631 per annum, at the rate of about Rs. 6,123 per mensem per company. With the addition of items like contingencies, travelling allowance and equipment and clothing, the total expenditure on three companies would be Rs. 2,71,631 per annum, as shown below:—

	Rs.
Expenditure on three companies per annum...	2,20,631
Contingencies	15,000
Travelling Allowance	12,500
Equipment and clothing	23,500
Total	2,71,631

Since the period of sanction is for six months only, the extra cost would be half of the above amount, *i.e.*, Rs. 1,35,815-8-0 (Rupees one lakh, thirty-five thousand, eight hundred and fifteen, and annas eight only). For the current year, the extra amount actually required may be met from the contingency fund if it is found necessary later on, and if it cannot be met by re-appropriation from the sanctioned grants of the Department under 29—Police.

The officers and men selected should be absorbed in the vacancies that normally occur in the regular Mysore Armed Reserve Police Force, within the period of six months from the date of the present order, so that the permanent establishment of the Mysore Armed Reserve Police would be at the level of three battalions, as sanctioned in Government Order No. H. A. 5319-31—Pol. 126-48-10, dated the 11th October 1949.

The Inspector-General of Police is requested to take immediate action in the matter. He is also requested to furnish a statement of actual expenditure involved in the raising of three new companies, both to Government and the Accountant-General.

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